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WE "CALL" THE BLUFFER.

The following cheerful announcement has been made for a long time at the head of the editorial column of an extended morning contemporary:

"The circulation of THE EVENING SUN is larger than that of any other evening paper in the United States."

This modest claim has long served as a source of a naturally perturbed editorial mind and to a narrowing circle of admirers of fiction.

But even the factitious gains of journalistic bluff has its limitations.

The EVENING WORLD hereby agrees to pay \$2,000 in cash to the Press Publishing Company if, upon thorough examination, its bona fide circulation is not found to be every day the week at least 25 per cent. larger than that of the "Evening Sun"—three prominent advertisers to be the judges.

Now, "show hands" on stop your bluffing.

If this announcement is not accepted within ten days we shall increase the percentage!

WHAT IS THE REASON?

Public curiosity to know why the Metropolitan Art Museum isn't opened Sunday is rapidly growing to be insatiable. At first it was supposed that some mysterious benefactor of the Museum would incontinently withdraw all the "bigotry and virtue" with which he had enriched it the moment the doors were opened on the first day of the week to people who couldn't come in on any other. But it is now avowed by the Trustees that no such limitations exist.

Then it was darkly whispered that the Trustees were religiously opposed to the desecration of the Sabbath by allowing idle sightseeing on that day. This is now denied by some of them.

The next reason to vanish into thin air was the alleged antagonism of "the better public opinion." This reason effervesced out of existence as soon as daylight struck it.

There can be no suggestion of a reason in the position of the public press on the question. The leading newspapers of New York, and conspicuously THE EVENING WORLD, have favored Sunday opening from the start.

The conundrum is no far easier in advance, for unpalatable interest, of any submitted in THE EVENING WORLD's prize competition. Perhaps the janitor won't consent to the Museum's being opened Sunday. If so, is there no way to wrestle with him?

THE RULE IN SHELLEY'S CASE.

Every admirer of our Constitution, which is built on the broad foundations of English jurisprudence, will be faint to hope that Lawyer CLEVELAND, who opens his office in New York to-day, may return with hearty zest to the study of "The Rule in Shelley's Case."

Thousands of the best and brightest men at the American Bar have not scrupled to ascribe their success in legal life to a thorough understanding of and a deep and loving sympathy with the principle which has immortalized a SHELLEY whose name will live when SHELLEY the poet is forgotten!

It is customary to speak of the Magna Charta as the "bulwark of Anglo-Saxon liberties." But where would they be without SHELLEY and his Rule? We pause for a reply.

Who SHELLEY was and what his case was have ages ago ceased to be material. But his Rule still stands, and unborn generations of lawyers will fall down and worship it. It may rust, but it won't wear out.

Go for it, Grovers!

WORLDLINGS.

The best dressed and "best groomed" man in the British House of Commons is said to be Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

The income of Herr Krupp, the great gun-maker of Essen, last year was 4,380,000 marks, or nearly \$1,500,000. This sum is larger than the income of the richest of the Rothschilds.

The price paid by Vice-President Morton for the Bell residence in Washington was \$95,000, and he will expend about \$10,000 more on the building in the way of repairs.

President Harrison has received from Gen. Beavers several copies of the photograph of the latter taken when the Presidential train was passing through Harrisburg. It was a very successful picture and represents the General, his wife, son and daughter and grand-children on the rear platform of their private car.

OUR AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION.

Accepted the Herald's invitation.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

Boston, March 7.—The regular meeting of the New England Woman's Press Association was held at the Parker House yesterday afternoon. It was voted to accept the invitation of the Boston Club and to send a delegate to the Convention of women's clubs to be held in New York in March. Resolutions upon the death of Miss Mary L. Booth, editor of Harper's Bazar, were passed.

Found After Twenty-three Years.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

New London, Conn., March 7.—Charles E. P. Noyes, at present keeper of the Latimer Reformatory on Long Island Sound, lost a valuable gold ring on the shore on the west side of the harbor twenty-three years ago. Last Saturday Mrs. Nathaniel Noyes found the identical treasure, looking as good as new, and returned it to its former owner.

Bank Burglar Captured.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

Bridgeport, Conn., March 7.—John Gilson, the fifth of the gang of burglars that operated in the Newtown Savings Bank, Randy Hook post-office and several other places in that town Feb. 17, was arrested in this city yesterday. He was taken to Newtown under \$5,000 bonds.

MUNDANE MATTERS.

Gen. Badeau, the gentleman who got himself into bad odor last year by wanting a part of the Grant estate, now wants \$22,500 from Mark Twain. If there is anything Gen. Badeau wants that he doesn't see, it is believed he will ask for it.

This is Lent. To-morrow will be Friday. A man who won't eat fish on the first Friday in Lent is probably in the fish business himself!

Won't you tell us, Mr. Platt, just what is your attitude? Do you think the Cabinet shows a lack of gratitude? Did you waggishly say that you'd have liked more latitude in choosing whether you would spit or praise Ben for his platitude?

Class in Contemporary History. "Who struck Billy Patterson?" Answers by all—We do not know. But from the universality of their exploits and the ease and freedom with which he struck everybody for everything, we suspect it was Trado.

Contractor Smith, who has many friends in this city anxiously awaiting his return, seems to have gone and lost himself in the Quaker City. This is one of the few cases on record of a New Yorker losing himself in Philadelphia. Mr. Smith's attorneys ought to be able to clear him of almost anything now, either on the ground of temporary aberration or on an alibi. But stay; perhaps Mr. Smith has gone to a quiet, sequestered spot to monkey with his name and lose his identity in the Smith family!

Mayor Grant is constantly doing something to surprise the politicians. It is needless to say this delights the people. It is principle, and he goes for big things quite as fearlessly as little ones.

ANOTHER GOOD RESOLUTION.

The Workmen's Industrial Association Approves the Children's Bill.

To the Editor of THE EVENING WORLD:

The Workmen's Industrial Association to-night, at 327 West Forty-first street, resolved, That we endorse the bill reviewing the action of police justices in the commitment of children to institutions, and that, as at THE EVENING WORLD, we have taken the side of the people in this, the Saturday Half-Holiday bill and other measures in the interests of the people, we should reciprocate by endorsing that paper.

Resolved, That we protest against the action of foreign consuls acting as purchasing agents here for the rebels in Haiti, thus violating the neutrality laws and embroiling us with a nation with whom we are at peace, and whose accredited representatives we receive.

Resolved, That we request our city officials to favor, with every means in their power, all feasible plans for reducing so that the overcrowded population of our lower wards may be relieved, and can live in the outer districts where the air is pure and rent is cheap.

Workmen's Industrial Association.

March 4.

HOW A YANKEE MAKES MONEY.

Sells Livery Stables in Fashionable Quarters in Order to Be Bought OF.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., March 7.—Lorenzo B. Sterling, a thrifty and over-enterprising farmer from Trumbull, has thrown property owners here into a state of dread excitement. Trumbull is a back town. Sterling has hoarded money for years. Lately he has inherited a handsome fortune.

With Yankee instinct for trade and barter he came to Bridgeport and bought up a number of valuable lots in fashionable quarters of the city.

Upon these he has erected foundations for large stable and dining room buildings. In each he has been handsomely paid to cease operations and deed over the lot.

Fully a half dozen such stables have been in course of erection in the most fashionable quarter of the city.

The people are much incensed, but Sterling calmly declares his intention of remaining in the business, as he finds it very profitable.

Free Lectures This Evening.

Another series of free lectures, in accordance with THE EVENING WORLD's bill, will be given in seven of the public schools this evening as follows:

At 216 East One Hundred and Tenth street, Prof. Lincoln on "The American Ideal," at 30 Allen street, Dr. Handbatt on "The Human Machine," at 208 East Fifty-second street, Prof. G. A. Clement on "Constitutional Law," at Seventy-third street and First avenue, Prof. H. H. H. on "The Microscope," at 208 East Fifty-second street, Prof. G. A. Clement on "The Solar System and the World We Live In," at 225 West Forty-third street, Prof. Leitzinger on "Rights and Duties of Citizenship," and at 108 Broome street, Dr. Roberts on "The Laws and their Functions."

Police Telegraph Wires to Go Under.

The Board of Estimate have voted \$15,000 for burying the wires of the Police Department, the Commissioners have instructed Sergt. Crowley, who is in charge of the police telegraph system to put the wires under ground wherever conduits are provided, and, where there are no conduits, to leave the wires up until the Board of Electrical Control has provided for them.

More Rapid Ocean Travel Proposed.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

MONTREAL, March 7.—The Alliance have made proposals to the Government for providing a rapid service of steamers on the Atlantic to running connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway. It is stated by a member of the firm that the plan involves an expenditure of \$1,000,000.

Answers to Correspondents.

Ida K. Fyfe and Henry.—March 30 will be the first day of Spring.

B. C. W.—1. Apply to one of the Police Commissioners. 2. We think it is necessary.

R. T. B.—The annual dog show was formerly held in the American Institute Building.

Delay.—The word typewriter is used to describe both the machine and its operator.

A. Von R.—You are wrong. It was certainly not Andrew Jackson who inaugurated civil-service reform.

A. W. E.—George Littlewood won the last six-day go-as-you-please foot race at Madison Square Garden.

Subscriber.—The three largest cities of the earth, according to population, are: London, estimated at 4,215,000; Paris, estimated at 2,500,000; and Canton, estimated at 2,000,000.

R. A.—President Johnson was impeached. President Johnson was not impeached. Both these statements are true. The word impeach has two meanings: One, to present for trial; another, to convict. The House of Representatives has the sole power to impeach—that is, to say, to present charges. The Senate has the sole power to convict—that is, to convict after the trial. The word impeach has three other meanings, but these two are the meanings in which it is used in the Constitution of the United States.

Now is the Time

To purify your blood and fortify your system against the debilitating effects of spring weather. At no other season is the bitter taste in the mouth more prominent, the breath so offensive, the drowsy dizziness so frequent, or that extreme tired feeling so prevalent. Hood's Sarsaparilla is just the medicine to build up the system, purify the blood, cure biliousness, overcome that tired feeling and create a good appetite.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by all druggists. \$1.00 per bottle. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

100 Doses One Dollar

PUZZLERS

Try Your Hand at "The Evening World" Conundrums.

Third Day's Session of the Fascinating Contest.

A Bushel of Competitions Came to Hand This Morning.

THE EVENING WORLD offers a gold double eagle (\$20) for the best original conundrum submitted. Henry Guy Carleton, the well-known humorist, will act as judge. Answers must accompany the conundrums in every instance. The contest will close at 6 P. M. Friday, March 8, being short like a good conundrum itself. On Saturday, March 9, the decision of the judges will if possible be announced.

Suggested by the Weather.

Why did the inauguration of President Harrison resemble the platform of the Prohibition party? Because water was the predominating spirit of the occasion. G. A. 11 Bowery.

Applies to Every One.

What's the biggest room in the universe? Room for improvement. FRANK McCARE.

An Anarchistic Rebus.

Why is Inspector Byrnes the quickest policeman in the world? Because in a very few minutes he arrested most of the Anarchists in New York City. F.

Another Inauguration Query.

What is the difference between the supporters of Harrison's platform and those attending his inauguration as President? One wanted a reign of Protection and the other protection from a rain. BRO. SABLE.

A Batch Wrong Reading.

Why must Logic have legs? Because it stands to reason. Why is it vulgar to send a telegram? Because it is making use of a flash language. When is a lawyer most like a mule? When he is drawing up a conveyance. What fruit is the most visionary? The apple of the eye. E. C. T. 288 Warren street, Brooklyn.

To Keep Both From Sinking.

Why is Ives, the financier, like a leaking boat? Because he wants to be bailed out. J. M., Room 31 Garfield Building, Brooklyn.

For Mr. Penny to Answer.

Why is "Impediment Joe," of THE EVENING WORLD, not to be relied upon? Because he is continually breaking his word. A. E. B.

For Oblivious Violators.

Why is a cross-eyed man like a certain kind of fruit? Because he's guinea (squints). JOE L. GERRER, 345 Broadway.

A Continental Conundrum.

What is the difference between Bur St. Edmunds (a town in England) and Berlin? One is on the Lark and the other is on the Spree. JOSEPH FITZ AYLWIN.

Naturally So.

What is the oldest tree in America? The elder tree. JOHN R. KENNY, 4 Vassar Row, Poughkeepsie.

Deserves Butchering.

What is the difference between a focus of the sun and a place where they raise calves? No difference; both are in a place where the rays meet (raise meat). A. S.

No Stakes Can Be Put Up.

When is a dice thrower at a disadvantage? When he shakes with fear. O. P. LEWIS, 200 West Fourteenth street.

How About This, Soldiers?

Why is a footsore soldier like the month of April? Because they follow a March. JOSEPH MARKS, 42 Maiden lane.

Must Mean Brooklyn Police.

Why is electricity like the police when wanted? Because it's an invisible force. JAMES E. HARWOOD, 211 Montague street, Brooklyn.

Carrie, You Deserve Punishment.

Why is a man who brushes a mouse off his head with a burst of profanity like a Government official? Because he's cursed a mouse off his hair (Custom-house officer). CARIE ELKAPPA, of the "Hoodman Blind" Company.

This Is Horrible.

Why is the driver of a bobtail car like a sailor? Because he's a sea fare (in seafarin') man. ALEX. J. BROSUS, 154 Seventh avenue.

The Cabinet Can't Escape.

Why was President Harrison's Cabinet like an overfed boy? Because he had eight (ate) to fill. G. W. SMITH, 141 Fulton street, Brooklyn.

The Internal Monitor.

Why is the strap in an omnibus like a man's conscience? Because it is an inner check to the outer man. J. E. WILMOT, 64 Worth street.

Both Have Much in Common.

In what respects do barkeepers and undertakers resemble each other? They both supply beers (beers). A. SIMON, 6 Sutton place.

Frequently It Is So.

What kind of a band is best to accompany a lady vocalist? A bus-band. J. T., 412 West Fifty-third street.

By No Means the Case Literally.

Why don't Kate Claxton play the "Two Orphans" any more? Because "The World's Against Her." J. K., 422 Bushwick avenue, Brooklyn.

Still Another on Noah.

What man had the greatest monopoly in fruit? Noah, when he took all the pairs in the ark. R. ROBERTS, 186 Twelfth street, Brooklyn.

A Classical Punster.

What Latin expression did Gen. Harrison use when he learned of the successful work of the National Republican Committee? Sine qua non. 414 West Sixty-third street.

A Libel on the Colored Brothers.

What clause inserted in the Republican

platform would have satisfied the speculative negro? We believe in the protection of "policy." Yours respectfully, 54 Stone street.

The Popular Topic. Why is the conundrum contest to THE EVENING WORLD like a man running up stairs? Because it increases the circulation. A. A. C., 345 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn.

The Cabinet Again. Why is President Harrison's Cabinet the most aristocratic body formed in this country? Because it contains a Nobleman.

Another Appeal to Our Sympathy. What is the difference between an apathetic, inactive person and THE EVENING WORLD? The one has a poor circulation, and the other a good one.

A Powerful Nine. What nine will knock the shakes out of the New York champion nine? Qu-nine. NORTHEFIELD.

Another One on Us. Why is THE EVENING WORLD like the English language? Because it has the widest circulation. CHARLES SKELTON, 233 Bowery.

A Lefty Public Position. What man holds the highest public position? The policeman on the middle span of the Brooklyn bridge. G. H. FORSTER, 8 Stricker's court, Brooklyn, N. Y.

IN VERY MERRIE COMPANY.

A Bid for Future Comfort.

(From Judge.)

FINE BOOTS & SHOES

Little Peter Frayedback—Say, boss! that's my mother over there buying slippers. Shoedee—You?

Little Peter—Tell her that ones made of worsted with padded soles is 'most stylish, an' you gets a free ticket to our next luncheon show.

Did Not Miss the Sermon. (From the Chicago Herald.)

"You missed a good sermon, John."

"What was it about?"

"Against the Sunday papers."

"I didn't miss it, I've been reading 'em all the morning."

A Natural Result. (From the Chicago Press.)

Henry A. Gould & Co., of Boston, dealers in dry goods, have failed for a cool \$1,000,000. Dull business is assigned as a cause of their troubles. The winter has been unusually healthy and fewer people have been dying than usual.

Woman's Consistency. (From the Burlington Press.)

Mrs. Bloodgood—Why weren't you at the meeting of the Ladies' Dress Reform Association yesterday?

Mrs. Parvonn—Well, to tell the truth, I hadn't a decent thing to wear.

A Very Low Neck. (From the Chicago Herald.)

Mrs. Ratt—Whose gown is an extreme specimen of the decollete?—How do I look in my new reception dress?

Alfred—You would look better if you were in it, my dear.

A Professional Job. (From the Burlington Press.)

Mrs. Caldwell—What have you got in that package, John?

Mr. Caldwell—A pair of nude trousers. I am going to see how it would seem to be in the fashion.

Mrs. Caldwell—You are, eh? Give me those trousers. I'll make a hat out of 'em. It's too bad enough to be a fool, John Caldwell, without going around town advertising it.

So Very Likely. (From London Punch.)

WHITE CAPS NEAR HOME.

Feeling as Marrant as in New Haven, They Severely Censured a Good-for-Nothing. (SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 7.—Four men, masked in the regulation White Cap style, visited the house of Dennis McCarty, of Portland, on Tuesday night.

McCarty was taken from his home and conducted to a vacant lot located near by. He was then lashed with rawhides by the four men until he was unable to stand up.

McCarty has the reputation of being a hard citizen, and has been intimidated most of the time lately. There have also been many rumors about his beating his wife.

After the four masked men had thrashed McCarty until they were tired they notified him that he would have to leave his home and go to work, and that he would have to be there by five o'clock.

"I shall take care of your little dawg whilst you're a-shoppin', miss."

SYNOPSIS

OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS OF

"A SERVANT OF SATAN."

THE ASSASSIN PRADO'S CAREER.

The Riddle that the French Police Couldn't Solve

The mysterious assassin who was guillotined in December last at Paris, under the name of Prado, handed on the eve of his execution a bundle of manuscript notes containing the history of the extraordinary criminal whose identity and past history proved a riddle which the French police were unable to solve. They show that he was the son of a well-known German general, and statesman, whose identity will easily be recognized under the pseudonym of Count von Waldburg. The mother was a Princess of one of the petty sovereign houses of Germany. A portion of the late King Frederick William IV. of Prussia, who was married to a woman whom he passed off as his mistress, and strikes his Colonel to the ground when the latter served an innocent man under death for his crime. He then became a Prussian soldier, and was promoted to the rank of lieutenant. He was then sent to the front, and was killed by a bullet in the chest. He was then sent to the front, and was killed by a bullet in the chest. He was then sent to the front, and was killed by a bullet in the chest.

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KEENAN AT HIS OLD TRICKS.

ITS CANADIAN MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT THAT HE IS BRILING NOW.

A Combine of American Exiles in the Dominion to Secure the Defeat of Prof. Weldon's Surrender Bill—The Select Galaxy of Fugitive Financiers Conspired in This Interesting Movement.

The Boston Globe prints an interesting Montreal story of a new "combine" which is being made up in Canada by New York ex-Aldermen and other Americans in exile to secure the defeat of Prof. Weldon's bill in Parliament providing for the surrender to the United States of all of that country's criminals now resident in the Dominion whose crimes are not extraditable under existing treaties.

According to